House Resolution No. 735

Whereas, it is with genuine admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize a true man of God who has touched and enriched the lives of countless others in Christian service: Dr. Mark Appold, retired Pastor of Faith Lutheran Church in Kirksville, Missouri; and

Whereas, Dr. Appold, a treasured resident of Kirksville, stepped down from his post as Pastor on January 20, 2003, after thirty-seven years of exceptional service to the ministry; and

Whereas, Pastor of Faith Lutheran Church for thirty-five years, Dr. Appold has also distinguished himself as an Associate Professor at Truman State University, where he has taught part-time for the past twenty-six years; and

Whereas, Dr. Appold's many duties and responsibilities have included campus ministry, publications in New Testament studies, and service as project director for the archaeological excavation of Bethsaida in Israel and as a guest lecturer at schools in India, the University of Iowa, Christ Seminary in St. Louis, and the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago; and

Whereas, a minister for congregations in Washington, D.C., and at the University of Cologne in Germany, Dr. Appold has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors at the Kirksville Hospital Chaplaincy, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Kirksville Osteopathic Medical Center, and as a member of various other community service organizations; and

Whereas, Dr. Appold has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife of thirty-nine years, Rosemarie Appold; and his children, Kenneth, a theology professor at the University of Wittenberg in Halle, Germany; Martin, a geology professor at the University of Iowa; Kevin, an attorney in St. Paul, Minnesota; and Kirsten, a music and elementary school teacher in Minnesota:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in expressing our heartfelt appreciation to Dr. Mark Appold for his many years of unparalleled service to the ministry and in further wishing him the long, enjoyable, and fruitful retirement he so richly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dr. Mark Appold, as a measure of our esteem for him.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 735, adopted March 6, 2003.